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REMARKS

In the Office Action dated December 10, 2004, the Examiner required election of one of two groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. 121. Group I includes Claims 1-20, and Group II includes Claims 21-24. With this paper, Applicant elects Group I, consisting of Claims 1-20 without traverse.

If the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of the elected claims that could be clarified with a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate the same with the undersigned.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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